

THE CLAIMS

1. A bulk bag comprising:

side walls having upper and lower ends and
defining a predetermined geometrical configuration having
5 a plurality of corners;

the side walls comprising fabric side wall panels
connected end-to-end with each of the side wall panels
extending around one of the corners of the bulk bag;

a bottom wall secured to the lower ends of the
10 side walls;

the side walls and the bottom wall defining the
interior of the bulk bag;

a liner secured within the interior of the bulk
bag as defined by the side walls and the bottom wall;

15 a plurality of pockets each located at one of the
corners of the bulk bag;

each of the pockets comprising a long, narrow
fabric strip secured to the fabric comprising the side wall
panels by sew lines extending parallel to the corners of
20 the bulk bag;

a plurality of support members each received
within one of the pockets and extending substantially the
entire length thereof for retaining the bulk bag in an
upright configuration;

a frame comprising a plurality of top members defining a geometrical configuration which is congruent with the geometrical configuration defined by the side walls and a plurality of legs depending from the top members at the corners thereof; and

the legs of the frame being received within the pockets of the bulk bag to retain the bulk bag in an open configuration.

2. The bulk bag according to claim 1 wherein the side walls define a square configuration.

3. The bulk bag according to claim 1 wherein side wall panels are formed from woven polypropylene fabric.

4. The bulk bag according to claim 1 wherein the liner is formed from polyethylene film.

5. The bulk bag according to claim 1 wherein the side wall panels are formed from woven polypropylene fabric and wherein the pockets are formed from long, narrow strips comprising woven polypropylene fabric.

6. The bulk bag according to claim 1 wherein the support members are formed from PVC pipe.

7. The bulk bag according to claim 1 wherein the top members and the legs of the frame are formed from lengths
5 of angle iron.

8. A bulk bag comprising:

four side walls having upper and lower ends
defining a rectangular configuration having four corners;

the side walls comprising woven polypropylene
5 fabric side wall panels connecting end-to-end with each of
the side wall panels extending around one of the corners
of the bulk bag;

a bottom wall secured to the lower ends of the
side wall;

10 the side walls and the bottom wall defining the
interior of the bulk bag;

a liner formed from polyethylene film secured
within the interior of the bulk bag as defined by the side
walls and the bottom walls;

15 pockets each located at one of the corners of the
bulk bag;

each of the pockets comprising a long, narrow
woven polypropylene fabric strip secured to the woven
polypropylene fabric comprising the side wall panels by sew
20 lines extending parallel to the corners of the bulk bag;

four support members each formed from PVC pipe
and each received within one of the pockets defined by the
side walls and extending substantially the entire length

thereof for retaining the bulk bag in an upright configuration;

5 a frame comprising top members formed from angle iron arranged in a rectangular configuration congruent with the rectangular configuration defined by the side walls and legs each formed from angle iron and depending from the top members at the corners thereof; and

10 the legs being received within the pockets of the bulk bag and the top members engaging the upper ends of the side walls to retain the bulk bag in an open configuration.